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# INFORMATION ABOUT ATTENDING SCHOOL IN SAXONY-ANHALT

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## Dear parents, welcome to Saxony-Anhalt!

This information sheet will provide you with information about education and training at schools in Saxony-Anhalt. You can find out more at the website addresses shown below.

**We wish your child every joy and success at school.**



### WHAT ARE THE RULES ABOUT GOING TO SCHOOL IN GERMANY?

In Saxony-Anhalt, just like everywhere else in Germany, all children and adolescents attend school between the ages of 6 and 18. Here they receive either a general education or vocational training.

### WHEN SHOULD MY CHILD FIRST ATTEND SCHOOL?

If the initial reception centre sends you and your family to live in a town or village and you are given a home address, then your child will be required to attend school if he or she is at least 6 years old. He or she will also be able to participate in school trips, excursions, special events at school and swimming lessons.

**ATTENDANCE AT A STATE SCHOOL IS FREE OF CHARGE.**

### WHICH SCHOOL WILL MY CHILD ATTEND?

The school your child attends will depend mainly on their age, their educational background, and where you live, and will be decided by the local education authority, an agency of the state of Saxony-Anhalt. You will be sent a letter telling you the name of the school in which your child has been enrolled.

### WHAT DO I HAVE TO BRING TO THE SCHOOL?

You will be given the most important information about this at an introductory meeting in the school. If you have any questions, please ask the school.

### WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT GETTING MY CHILD TO SCHOOL?

Classes at all schools begin punctually at a set time in the morning; the individual school will provide more details. Please ensure that your child arrives in good time. The same applies to adolescents at vocational schools.

### WHAT TIME DOES THE SCHOOL DAY END?

The school day may end either at lunchtime or in the afternoon. You will be told more at your introductory meeting in the school.

### WHERE CAN MY CHILD LEARN GERMAN?

Whatever school your child attends, he or she will first be given special tuition in the German language. Many schools have specially trained teachers for this, who have been appointed by the local education authority just for this purpose. The children will be taught in classes or groups at school, and will learn German as quickly as possible.

[www.landesschulamt.sachsen-anhalt.de/landesschulamt](http://www.landesschulamt.sachsen-anhalt.de/landesschulamt)

### WHAT SUPPORT WILL MY CHILD RECEIVE IN SCHOOL; HOW WILL HE OR SHE LEARN? WILL MY CHILD BE ABLE TO MIX WITH THE OTHER CHILDREN?

In classes which are less dependent on speaking and writing, such as music, sport, art and a few other subjects, your child will be taught alongside all the other children in the same class. Your child will also receive special support to learn German. Once your child reaches the required standard of spoken and written German, he or she will be taught alongside the rest of the children in all other subjects too.

### IS SUPPORT ALSO AVAILABLE FROM PEOPLE BELONGING TO MY OWN CULTURAL GROUP?

Yes. Many foreign citizens from various countries in the world have organised clubs in Saxony-Anhalt. These clubs are all members of the State Network of Migrant Organisations (LAMSA), whose aim is to help people with a migrant background find their feet in German society and political life.

**State Network of  
Migrant Organisations in  
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